Fennelly to coach and treat cancer   
  
Register staff report **AMES, Ia.—** BillFennelly will continue to coach the Iowa State women's bas­ketball team while he be­gins treatment for an inva­sive cancerous lesion on his vocal chords. Fennelly, entering his 17th season as the Cy­clones' coach, will undergo radiation treatments for five weeks begin­ning in late October. He is expected to make a full recov­ery.  
  
It is im­portant for me to face this health challenge head on and continue to work with my staff and student-ath­letes," Fennelly said in a press release issued by the university. My family and I appreciate the support of our friends and Cyclone Nation." Doctors found the can­cerous lesion during a re­cent exam, but they cleared him to coach with­out interruption.  
  
This is not the first time Fennelly has dealt with health issues regarding his vocal chords. In June of 2005, a cancerous nodule was discovered on his vo­cal chord.  
  
The cancer was superfi­cial, however, and it was re­moved with laser surgery and he didn't need radia­tion treatments.  
  
It was a scary thing to people," he said. Fennelly has a career record of 520-213, includ­ing 354-160 at Iowa State.

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